

16. (Amended) ~~The plastic film according to claim 15,~~
wherein the materials having release properties are formed by
modifying polymers forming the film to have release properties.

17. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the materials having the release properties are
incorporated into the plastic film as additives and comprise
silicone compounds.

18. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the materials having the release properties are
incorporated into the plastic film as additives and comprise
polyolefin compounds.

19. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the materials having the release properties are embedded
into a matrix of the plastic film.

20. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the materials having the release properties comprise
inorganic fillers.

21. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the plastic film further comprises a carrier layer.

22. (Amended) The plastic film according to claim 15,
wherein the thickness of the plastic film is about 5 μ m.

23. (Amended) A method of making a plastic film,
comprising the steps of:
forming a mixture containing materials having release
properties and polymers adapted to form a plastic film; and
polymerizing the polymers to incorporate the materials
having release properties into the plastic film.

24. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, further
comprising the step of extruding the plastic film onto a
substrate layer.

25. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein
the mixture contains a consistent proportion of the materials
having release properties.

26. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, further
comprising the step of co-extruding a substrate layer with the
plastic film.

27. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, further
comprising the step of extruding the plastic film with a plastic
carrier layer.

28. (Amended) The method according to claim 27, further comprising the step of extruding the plastic film onto a carrier web.

29. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, further comprising the step of embossing the plastic film.

31. (Amended) A plastic film having a first side and a second side, comprising:
a release layer coextruded with a substrate and disposed on the first side of the plastic film, said release layer comprising materials having release properties incorporated within the release layer before extrusion of the release layer, wherein said release layer is selected from the group consisting of a modified polymer, a silicone compound and a polyolefin additive; and
an adhesive layer disposed on the second side of the plastic film.

A marked-up version of the amended claims showing the changes made is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

REMARKS

The claims are 15-31. Claims 15-29 and 31 have been amended to define the invention more clearly. Support for the claims can be found, inter alia, in the disclosure at page 1, fourth and